

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Munetaka TAKEUCHI, et al.

Group Art Unit: 2763

Serial No.: 08/889,440

Examiner: Dr. H. Jones

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SIMULATING PHENOMENA OF A  
PARTICLE OF SUBSTRATE PARTICLES AND ADSORBATE PARTICLES

**AMENDMENT**

*Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231*

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 22, 1999, having a shortened statutory period for response which expired on March 22, 2000. A petition and fee for a two-month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith, thereby extending the time period for response to May 22, 2000.